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MEMORANDUM FOR: Chairman, Security Committee
FROM: Stansfield Turner
SUBJECT: Computer Security

I am concerned with the vulnerabilities of the Intelligence Communities computer systems to penetration. I see no let up in the growth of usage, expansion, networking and volume of information. I believe this trend will continue and our reliance on computer resources to satisfy our requirements will intensify in the future.

I consider the threat to these computer systems to be real and serious and it will also intensify in the future.

I am therefore directing that the computer security problem be given priority attention by the Security Committee. I realize the magnitude and difficulty of obtaining the solutions to this problem and will provide my full support to solving this problem.

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